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C O R R E C T E D C O P Y (OMISSION PARA 2)

E. O.11652: N/ A

TAGS: MASS, ML

SUBJECT: DISASTER RELIEF FMS TRUCK PURCHASES

REF: BAMAKO 1284, STATE 79060

ABIDJAN FOR REDSO/ WA, DAKAR FOR ADO AND DATT, EC BRUSSELS
FOR WENDT

1. COMMERCE AND DEPTOFFS MAY 9 INFORMED MALIAN COUNSELOR
COULIBALY, IN ABSENCE AMBASSADOR TRAORE, OF SUBSTANCE US
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OFFER (STATE 79060) AND TENTATIVE GOM RESPONSE
(BAMA KO 1284). DEPTOFFS EMPHASIZED THAT IF GOM OPTS FOR
TRUCK PURCHASE FOR DISASTER RELIEF PURPOSES, THIS WOULD
EXHAUST FY '72 FMS CREDIT, AND THAT NO MORE SUCH CREDITS
FOR GOM WERE FORESEEN AT LEAST THROUGH END FY '74.
COMMERCE OFFICER MADE CLEAR HIS WILLINGNESS PUT MALIAN
EMBASSY IN CONTACT WITH US TRUCK MANUFACTURERS SOONEST.
DOD REQUIRES THAT TRANSACTION BE DONE THROUGH SINGLE SALES
CONTRACT, INCLUSIVE OF ALL CHARGES AGAINST FMS CREDIT, EG.,
SPARE PARTS, DELIVERY TO DESIGNATED AFRICAN PORT. IF OCEAN
FREIGHT IS INCLUDED, SHIPMENT MUST BE VIA US FLAG VESSEL.

2. COULIBALY SAID HIS EMBASSY UNINFORMED ABOUT MATTER, BUT
HE WOULD IMMEDIATELY INFORM AMBASSADOR TRAORE IN NYC SO
THAT TRAORE COULD OBTAIN BAMA KO' S GUIDANCE AS WELL AS PASS
ALONG PRELIMINARY SOUNDINGS RE MODELS, PRICES, AND DELIVERY
DATES. FYI: EARLIEST AVAILABLE TRUCK IS DODGE MODEL D600,
GASOLINE ENGINE, SINGLE UNIT. THESE VEHICLES, ORIGINALLY
BUILT FOR VIETNAM USE, WOULD BE AVAILABLE FOR SHIPPING
FROM BALTIMORE TWO WEEKS FROM DATE OF ORDER. OTHERWISE,
FIRST DIESEL ENGINE TRACTOR/ TRAILER COMBINATION BELEIVED
AVAILABLE FOR SHIPPING O/ A END JULY. WHILE TOO EARLY
ADVISE ON PRICES, MUCH LESS ETA ABIDJAN OR OTHER
DESIGNATED PORT, COULIBALY, WITH ASSIST FROM STATE AND
COMMERCE, OBTAINING MODEL DESCRIPTIONS, PRICES WITH SPARES,
AND DATES AVAILABILITY FOR SHIPMENT. END FYI. ROGERS

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